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SUBJECT: ARCHBISHOP OF PALERMO TO VISIT U.S.

1. WE HAVE BEEN INFORMED THAT CARDINAL SALVATORE PAPPALARDO, ARCHBISHOP OF PALERMO AND PRESIDENT OF THE SICILIAN BISHOPS CONFERENCE WILL VISIT THE UNITED STATES THIS SUMMER FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE MONTH OF MEETINGS WITH U.S. CHURCH OFFICIALS, SICILIAN COMMUNITY IN U.S., ETC. ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING MADE BY CARDINAL COOKE AND ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW YORK WHERE FINAL DETAILS ON ITINERARY ARE NOW BEING DEVELOPED. IN BROAD OUTLINE, ITINERARY WILL INCLUDE STOPS IN NEW YORK CITY, BUFFALO, CHICAGO, WASHINGTON, PHILADELPHIA AND MONTREAL, CANADA. THE CARDINAL, ACCOMPANIED BY FR. PIETRO MAGRO OF HIS STAFF, WILL ARRIVE AT KENNEDY'S AIRPORT ON JULY 16 ON ONE OF ALITALIA'S TWO DAILY ROME-NEW YORK FLIGHTS. WE WILL ADVISE WHICH FLIGHT AS SOON AS RESERVATIONS ARE CONFIRMED.

2. CARDINAL PAPPALARDO, WHO SPEAKS EXCELLENT ENGLISH, IS A FORMER MEMBER OF THE VATICAN DIPLOMATIC SERVICE AND SERVED 1965-68 AS PAPAL NUNZIO IN JAKARTA. NOW 58, HE HAS BEEN ARCHBISHOP OF PALERMO SINCE 1970 AND A CARDINAL SINCE 1973. GIVEN HIS LENGTH
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OF SERVICE IN THE VATICAN CURIA AND HIS OUTSTANDING RECORD AS SICILY'S SENIOR CHURCHMAN, HE IS FREQUENTLY MENTIONED, AT LEAST IN LOCAL CIRCLES, AS ONE OF THE "PAPABILI".

3. ALTHOUGH CARDINAL PAPPALARDO AND HIS STAFF WANT NO SPECIAL ATTENTION AND WILL DOUBTLESS BE VERY WELL SERVED BY THE ARCHDIOCESE

OF NEW YORK, WE BELIEVE DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE AWARE OF HIS VISIT,
AND WOULD APPRECIATE ANY APPROPRIATE COURTESIES THAT MIGHT BE
RENDERED AT PORT OF ENTRY OR ELSEWHERE AS REQUIRED. COLLINS

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